Milford Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes October 8, 2015 7:00pm BOS meeting room

Present: Members: Audrey Fraizer, Chair; Andy Hughes, VChair; Janet Urquhart, Hub Seward. Kim Rimalover and Andy Seale, excused. Alternates: Eric Radloff, Greg Boggis, Chris Costantino. Rodney Dellafelice, excused.

September Meeting Minutes Unanimously approved on a motion by GregB, seconded by JanetU.

Appointments

7:15 Nonpublic session per RSA91-A:3(d); land acquisition. Unanimous approval to enter into a non-public session on a motion by JanetU, seconded by EricR.

7:45 Sarah and Chris Brown. ROW on Falcon Ridge open space for access to MapLot 3-6. The Browns presented draft ROWs for the access and the trail easement across 3-6. The commission members did a site walk of the site in September, where it was noted that the utility box is on town land. The Browns can work around this placement; it leaves enough room for a driveway, which they do not intend to pave. The timbering that needs to be done for site prep will be skidded out through the abutting property, not out to Falcon Ridge Road. Albie Williams, from the Winter Wanderers Snowmobile Club was present for the discussion. He has met with the Browns and is in agreement with the proposed location of the trail on the Brown's property. AudreyF received an email from SFournier with her concerns about access across the Falcon Ridge Open Space. The members decided to run this access request by the Planning Board and to reread the Open Space Conservation District Ordinance. AudreyF will send a copy of the email from SFournier to the commission and to the Browns. AudreyF will draft a memo to the PB/Planning Department for clarification of the process to allow this access.

ROW discussions:

Driveway access concerns from the commission -

- > Impact on the open space
- ➤ What about snow dispersal along the driveway is 25' enough to handle the snow
- > Does this pave the way for access for a future subdivision on 3-6?

Trail discussion concerns from the commission

- Place a restriction on the width of the driveway
- Restriction on asphalting the driveway

8:00 – <u>Chad Branon with Northwood Enterprises. Parcel 50-1</u> ChadB and Leroy Barr presented the Barr's plan to subdivide 50-1 to create 2 lots. They will need a variance for insufficient frontage. The Barrs are offering a 50' trail easement along the western boundary of the property to the commission which will connect the Sherburne property with Mile Slip Town Forest. The commission is very grateful to the Barrs and will write a letter to the ZBA expressing the commission's appreciation of the gift. We will send the Barrs an example of the trail easements we have accepted on other parcels in town.

Item	Discussion	Who Will Do What	
Upcoming Events	 a. Fall Family Festival – Zombie Orienteering – successful event b. November 7th - Souhegan Valley Chamber of Commerce Expo c. November 7Annual Conservation Commission Meeting – d. Pumpkin Festival – October 10, 11th – schedule for help? e. Ghost Train Race – October 24-25 f. October Worksession - TBD g. Presentation of Brox NRI – AudreyF contacted Forest Bell. They will present the NRI for \$1200 which includes travel and tolls 	 b. Brian Hawkins, George Skuse, Bill Pilaskas, and Kim Rimalover will cover the hours at the booth c. ChrisC is attending. Other members to contact her if they want to attend d. ChrisC will send an email with updated hour assignments for the booth e. Ghost Train – several volunteers already signed up. 275 Ultra runners so far, 100 15Milers. f. No date set g. AudreyF will contact FB with a suggested date. ChrisC will find a free night, preferably early November on a Thursday pm and post on various media 	
2. Warrant Articles	Warrant Article for \$20,000 to the Land Fund Warrant Article for an easement on Hitchiner TF	ChrisC will post WAs in dropbox. AudreyF will contact Mark Bender for an appointment to present WAs to the BOS	
3. NED pipeline	Possible mitigation projects for the proposed NED pipeline project 1. Osgood Pond dredging project 2. Purchase of northern portion of Brox 3. Purchase of land along the Souhegan River	Members to send in other ideas for ChrisC to compile.	
4. Trails Committee	 a. Tee shirts for volunteers – the members would like to provide tee-shirts to the trails committee, but not to volunteers at large. b. Boulders/gate at access points along RT 13. Need to schedule a site visit to take a look. Will also evaluate future management of the clearing. c. Rail Trail kiosk costs supplied by Joseph DeGraffenreid. Unanimously approved for Joseph to spend up to \$348.56. 	 a) AudreyF will look into rolling this idea into other tee shirts she is ordering. b) No date scheduled. c) ChrisC will contact Milford Lumber and County Stores to accept Joseph's material order. 	
5. 4 th Saturday hike	 a. Sept 26 – Patch Hill led by JanetU was successful. They discovered a grave stone which some of the hikers were going to investigate. 10 folks with 3 dogs b. October 24 – at Mile Slip 	b. ChrisC will contact Steve Erdody to participate in the hike	

End televised portion of the meeting

1. Interdepartmental Review	 <u>Kraus ML 23-3</u> – would this be considered as a potential open space subdivision? There will be 4 lots at the end of the project. <u>Salt Creek Lamattina ML 43-72 and 73</u> – no comment <u>Salt Creek ML 43-20</u> – Death by 1000 cuts. Parcelization is occurring. Is there a conceptual plan? Appears to be a very limited site which will restrict owner needs in the future <u>Tokyo Joe ML 43-73</u> – Consider using alternative surface to asphalt for the additional parking which would help with stormwater management Consider using current and improved best management practices for erosion control such as seeded wattles or socks Recommend that landscaping use native species 	
2. Upcoming ZBA cases	 a. 2015 – 19 Currier self-storage 8-73 b. 2015 – 20 North LLC potential easement on a proposed subdivision 50-1 The landowner is looking for a variance to create two lots with less than the minimum frontage on a Class V or better road. 	Chris will draft a memo to the ZBA for Audrey to review

Next Regular Meeting - November 12 @ 7PM, Selectmen's Meeting Room.

Meeting schedule for 2015: Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 12, Apr 9, May 7, Jun 11, Jul 9, Aug13, Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12, Dec 10.

The order and matters of this meeting are subject to change without further notice.